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For political, economic, or other reasons many of the leading scientists of East Germany have given up their positions, homes and other property, but a large number of very good meteorologists are still with the East German Meteorological and Hydrological Service. Listed below are leading East German meteorologists and the offices where they are employed.

Main Weather Office, Potsdam-Telegrafenberg

The outstanding meteorologists here are Dr. Runge, the Chief of the station, and Dr. Kushne, his deputy; both of these men are synopticians. Four other synoptic men at the station, who are very valuable, are Berth, Buttstädt, Schumann and Richard. Another particularly outstanding man at this office is Hans Schubert whose field is aerology.

Middle-German (Mitteldeutsch-) Weather Office, Leipzig, Leninstr. 169

Dr. Wichert, Chief, and Dr. Keller, his deputy, are both considered to be good synoptic meteorologists. Also outstanding are Drs. Kinker, Dehler Hesse, and Herbst. Dr. Hesse is quite active at the University of Leipzig and since the death of Dr. Robitsch has been acting chairman of the Department of Geophysics at that University.

Marine Weather Station, Warnemuende, Seestrasse 15

This station is under the leadership of Dr. Hoehn who is considered a very capable man. However, Hoehn is not the only good man at the station. Three of his colleagues, Drs. Kroll, Schmidt, and Kohlmetz, are also men of great value to the whole Meteorological and Hydrological Service.

City Weather Office, Schwerin, Gardebusche Str. 6-8

These city weather offices are smaller than offices like the main office at Potsdam, but they are nevertheless quite important and are manned by competent synoptic meteorologists and forecasters. Three men, Dr. Knepple, Roloff, and Gollkeuf are considered the best at Schwerin.

City Weather Office, Halle

Dr. Ransow and Dr. Bracht are the two best meteorologists at this station.

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7. City Weather Office, Dresden, Radebeul Str.

The station at Dresden is only a standard **city** weather Office but it has the added advantage of having access to the **Technische Hochschule** and its

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The personnel at the **meteorological observatories** are as follows:

10. Meteorological Observatory, Greifswald

Dr. Maede, Dr. Matzke and Gelbke are the most outstanding meteorologists involved in the work at Greifswald.

11. Meteorological Observatory, Lindenberg

This is probably the best known of all of the East German meteorological observatories and the most important men here are Dr. Ducois, Dr. Ring, Maeket, Hennig and Dr. Mehler.

12. Meteorological Observatory, Rohnsdorf

This observatory is probably best known for the work in **ozone research** carried on by Dr. Reichert and his colleagues.

13. Meteorological Observatory, Gotha

The personnel at this station are involved mainly in problems of radiation. The principal workers are Dietze and Dr. Lange.

14. Main Radiosonde Station, Berlin-Mitte/Spandau

Dr. Seelitz, chief of this station and the whole **radiosonde** service, is one of the outstanding experts in this field. His principal co-workers at Rummelsburg are Klinskoy and Vest. At each of the other four radiosonde stations there is one outstanding man; they are: at Greifswald, Gronert; at Lindenberg, Hennig; at Dresden, Kohl; and at Wernigerode, Weide.

15. Main Meteorological Observatory, Potsdam

Most of the top men of the East German Meteorological and Hydrological Service end up at this station sometime during their careers. At the present time the best men there are:

Theoretical meteorologists...Dr. Bernhards, Haacke, Koenig, Koenig

Weather Research...Prof. Dr. Koenig and Dr. Meyer

Atmospheric Electricity...Dr. V. Kilinski, Prof. Schindelhauer, Hoenig, Schraeder

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Experimental Meteorology...Dr. Skeib, Fri. Hausmann, Dr. Hecker.

Radiation.....Dr. Woerner, Dr. Hinzpeter, Gresham

Secular Station.....Branicki

16. Climatological Service

The main office of the climatological service is in Potsdam and that office handles the greater part of the climatological work of the Meteorological and Hydrological Service. The leading men of the climatological service are Dr. Kortum, Dr. Boer, Dr. Reiche, Lorenz, Kaese.

17. The Bio-climatological Research Station, Berlin-Buch

The bio-climatological stations are very important in German science because of the great dependence of the German doctors on the use of climate and weather in the treatment of various diseases. Dr. Flach is the principal worker at the Berlin-Buch station.

18. Bio-climatological Research Station, Bad Ems

Dr. Wagner is in charge of the research work at this station and is one of the leading men in the field.

19. Bioclimatological Research Station, Bad Koesen

This station is under the direction of Dr. Koch.

20. Agrarmeteorological Stations

There are two of these stations in East Germany and both of them are doing important work in the field of agricultural meteorology and in the field of micro-meteorology in general. The principal workers are Dr. Heide and Dr. Seyforth at Halle and Dr. Seyforth at Bismarck.

21. The very top men, heretofore not mentioned, are the leaders of the Meteorological and Hydrological Service. These men are undoubtedly leaders in their respective fields and all of them have offices in the headquarters of the service in Potsdam. These men are:

Prof. Dr. Philipps, Director of the Meteorological and Hydrological Service
 Dr. Ortmeier, of the Weather Service
 Dr. Lehmann, also of the Weather Service
 Dr. Pelzel, of the Climatological Division
 Dr. Luge, in charge of the observatories
 Dr. Haake, Library
 Dr. Schubert, of the Hydrological Service
 Dr. Wolf, also of the Hydrological Service

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